

**Hitachi Announces Executive Changes**

Tokyo, December 19, 2006 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE:HIT/TSE:6501) today announced the following executive changes in accordance with a resolution passed by a meeting of the Board of Directors held today. The appointments take effect on January 1, 2007.

**1. Promotion [Effective January 1, 2007]**

**Kazuhiro Mori**

**New Position:** Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Power Systems and General Manager of Supervisory Office for Power Systems

**Current Position:** Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Hitachi Group Companies Management Assistance, President and Director of Hitachi Displays, Ltd.

**2. Change of Position [Effective January 1, 2007]**

**Tadahiko Ishigaki**

**New Position:** Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Corporate Marketing Group, Chief Executive for North America, Customer Satisfaction Promotion Center, in charge of Digital Media Business and Group-Global, General Manager of Corporate Export Regulation Division

**Current Position:** Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Corporate Marketing Group, Customer Satisfaction Promotion Center, in charge of Digital Media Business and Group-Global, General Manager of Corporate Export

Regulation Division

**Shozo Saito**

**New Position:** Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Quality Assurance, Production Technology, Supervisory Office for Power Systems, Power Systems Business, Power Technology

**Current Position:** Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Supervisory Office for Power Systems, Power Systems Business, Production Technology, Power Technology

**Kazuhiro Tachibana**

**New Position:** Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Strategic Marketing and Planning

**Current Position:** Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Consumer Business Group

**Makoto Ebata**

**New Position:** Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Consumer Business Group, President & Chief Executive Officer of Ubiquitous Platform Group

**Current Position:** Vice President and Executive Officer, Vice General Manager of Consumer Business Group, President & Chief Executive Officer of Ubiquitous Platform Group

**3. Resignation [Effective December 31, 2006]**

**Hiroaki Nakanishi**, currently Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, Chief Executive for North America, Chief Executive Officer of Hitachi Global Storage Technologies, Inc. (a)

(a) Mr. Nakanishi is staying on as Chief Executive Officer of Hitachi Global Storage Technologies, Inc.

**About Hitachi, Ltd.**

Hitachi, Ltd., (NYSE: HIT / TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 356,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2005 (ended March 31, 2006) consolidated sales totaled 9,464 billion yen (\$80.9 billion). The company offers a wide range of systems, products and services in market sectors including information systems, electronic devices, power and industrial systems, consumer products, materials and financial services. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi.com>.

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**Executive Officers [Effective January 1, 2007] [(b) Promotion/ (c) Change of Position]**

<b>Etsuhiko Shoyama</b>	Chairman
<b>Kazuo Furukawa</b>	President, General Manager of Supervisory Office for MONOZUKURI
<b>Michiharu Nakamura</b>	Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Research & Development, Business Incubation, Hitachi Group Chief Innovation Officer and Hitachi Group Chief Technology Officer
<b>Takashi Hatchoji</b>	Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Compliance Division, in charge of Corporate Planning & Development, Legal & Corporate Communications, Management Audit, Procurement
<b>Takashi Miyoshi</b>	Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, Chief Hitachi Group Headquarters, in charge of Business Development and Finance
<b>(b) Kazuhiro Mori</b>	Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Power Systems and General Manager of Supervisory Office for Power systems
<b>(c) Tadahiko Ishigaki</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Corporate Marketing Group, Chief Executive for North America, Customer Satisfaction Promotion Center, in charge of Digital Media Business and Group-Global, General Manager of Corporate Export Regulation Division
<b>Kunihiko Ohnuma</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, President & Chief Executive Officer of Urban Planning and Development Systems Group, in charge of Industrial Systems, General Manager of Motor Power Systems Division
<b>Manabu Shinomoto</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, President & Chief Executive Officer and Chief Technology Officer of Information & Telecommunication Systems Group
<b>Taiji Hasegawa</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, President & Chief Executive Officer of Automotive Systems Group

<b>(c) Shozo Saito</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Quality Assurance, Production Technology, Supervisory Office for Power Systems, Power Systems Business, Power Technology
<b>Junzo Kawakami</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Research & Development Group, Medical Systems Business Division, in charge of Supervisory Office for MONOZUKURI and Supervisory Office for Power Systems
<b>Minoru Tsukada</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, Chief Executive and Chief Innovation Officer for China
<b>Stephen Gomersall</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, Chief Executive for Europe
<b>Akira Maru</b>	Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Supervisory Office for Power Systems, President & Chief Executive Officer of Power Systems Group, General Manager of Power & Industrial Systems Business Administration Division
<b>Gaku Suzuki</b>	Vice President and Executive Officer, President & Chief Executive Officer of Industrial Systems Group, General Manager of Transportation Systems Division, Vice General Manager of Power & Industrial Systems Business Administration Division
<b>Naoya Takahashi</b>	Vice President and Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of Information & Telecommunication Systems Group
<b>Junzo Nakajima</b>	Vice President and Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Chief Innovation Officer of Information & Telecommunication Systems Group
<b>(c) Kazuhiro Tachibana</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Strategic Marketing and Planning
<b>(c) Makoto Ebata</b>	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Consumer Business Group, President & Chief Executive Officer of Ubiquitous Platform Group
<b>Masahiro Hayashi</b>	Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Kansai Area
<b>Koichiro Nishikawa</b>	Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Business Development

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<b>Shinjiro Kasai</b>	Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Human Capital, General Manager of Secretarial Office and Head Office Business Support Division
<b>Hiroyuki Fukuyama</b>	Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Supervisory Office for MONOZUKURI, Production Technology, General Manager of Investment Planning Office and Corporate Quality Assurance Division

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